

*Approved by EQAC, February 11, 2015*

**COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
COUNTY OF FAIRFAX  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ADVISORY COUNCIL (EQAC)  
MINUTES**

**DATE: January 21, 2015**

**TIME: 7:30-10:50 PM**

**LOCATION: Conference Rooms 2 and 3, Fairfax County Government Center**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Stella Koch (Chairman, At-Large)  
Larry Zaragoza (Vice Chairman, Mount Vernon)  
Matthew Baker (Student Member)  
Linda Burchfiel (At-Large)  
Johna Gagnon (Lee)

George Lamb (At-Large)  
Ken Lanfear (Hunter Mill)  
Alex Robbins (Providence)  
David Smith (Braddock)  
Glen White (Mason)

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Frank Crandall (Dranesville)  
Robert McLaren (At-Large)

Rich Weisman (Sully)  
Clyde Wilber (Springfield)

**STAFF**

Kambiz Agazi

Noel Kaplan

**PUBLIC HEARING SPEAKERS**

Eric Goplerud—Faith Alliance for Climate Solutions  
Edward Monroe  
Mary Cortina, Fairfax County Park Authority Board  
Catherine Ledec  
Renee Grebe  
Dorothy Canter, Friends of Fort Hunt Park, Inc.  
Bill Lynch  
Paul Siegel, Friends of Little Hunting Creek  
Eleanor Quigley  
Kris Unger, Friends of Accotink Creek  
Alexis Dickerson

**OTHERS PRESENT AT THE PUBLIC HEARING**

Katherine Edwards, Fairfax County Police Department  
Anna Kim  
Gabriel Kim  
George Kim  
Jonah Kim  
Sam Kim  
Norbert Pink, Great Falls Group, Sierra Club

**Election of officers for 2014: Establishment of a Nominating Committee**

Matters discussed:

- Election of EQAC officers for 2015; report from the nominating committee (George Lamb and Bob McLaren).

Motions made:

- George Lamb moved acceptance of the nominating committee recommendation for Stella Koch to serve as Chairman and Larry Zaragoza to serve as Vice Chairman for 2015. David Smith seconded the motion.

Record of the vote:

- The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of members present.

Follow-up actions:

- None.

**Annual Public Hearing**

The public hearing was convened at 7:35 P.M .

Matters discussed:

- The annual EQAC public hearing was held. The public hearing summary is attached as part of the meeting minutes.

Motions made:

- None.

Follow-up actions:

- Per EQAC's standard practice, the council will devote time at a future meeting to the consideration of issues identified at the public hearing and to determine who to invite to future meetings to discuss specific issues.

**Consideration of correspondence to the Board of Supervisors regarding control of the fall cankerworm**

Matters discussed:

- January 6, 2015 correspondence to EQAC from Friends of Little Hunting Creek and Resolution from the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations, both opposing the fall cankerworm spraying program.
- Review of draft EQAC correspondence to the Board of Supervisors supporting the program.
- Discussion of related testimony that was just presented at the EQAC public hearing.
- Other stresses on the county's trees and opportunities to focus on those stresses.
- Guidance provided by the Urban Forest Management Division at EQAC's December meeting.
- Appreciation for the very real concerns about the spraying program that were expressed at the December EQAC meeting by opponents of the spray program and the need to recognize this appreciation within the EQAC correspondence.
- Desire to revisit the issue in a year or two in order to review the effort with additional data.
- Concern from Renee Grebe about the need for more data to get out to the public.
- The need to correct a typographical error in the memo as well as the subject line.

Motions made:

- Stella Koch moved approval of the memorandum with the addition of a line expressing appreciation for the real concerns raised by individuals and organizations and expressing hope that the county will continue to pursue alternatives to spraying. The motion was seconded by David Smith.

Record of the vote:

- The motion was approved by a 9-1 vote of members present, with George Lamb voting in opposition.

Follow up actions:

- The memorandum as approved will be transmitted to the Board of Supervisors.

**Discussion of the MITRE building energy technology report**

Matters discussed:

- The Planning Commission Environment Committee's review of the MITRE building energy technology report and related staff perspectives document, and the opportunity for public comment on both documents.
- A desire among EQAC members to defer consideration of the report until the February 11 meeting.

- A request for Larry Zaragoza and George Lamb to review the documents and to present their recommendations at the February 11 EQAC meeting.
- Interest expressed by Linda Burchfiel in participating in the review.
- Interest expressed by Ken Lanfear in reviewing the documents.

Motions made:

- None.

Follow up actions:

- Noel Kaplan will provide Ken Lanfear with copies of the documents in question.
- George Lamb and Larry Zaragoza will report back to EQAC at the February 11 meeting, with possible assistance from Linda Burchfiel and Ken Lanfear.

### **Approval of meeting minutes**

Motions made:

- Alex Robbins moved approval of the May 14, 2014 and June 11, 2014 minutes as submitted. Larry Zaragoza seconded the motion.

Record of the vote:

- Approval by unanimous vote, with Ken Lanfear and Johna Gagnon abstaining.

Follow-up actions:

- Per standard practice, Noel Kaplan will post the approved minutes on EQAC's website and notify Supervisors offices of the approval.
- Approval of the minutes for meetings subsequent to the June 11, 2014 meeting was deferred.

### **Chairman's Items**

None.

### **Council Member Items**

None.

### **Staff Items**

Matters Discussed:

- Board of Supervisors Environmental Committee meeting on February 3.

- Mount Vernon District Town Hall Meeting on January 31, and the invitation to EQAC to have a table in the exhibit area at that meeting.
- Upcoming meetings of the Planning Commission's Environment Committee (February 18 and March 4)
- PACE legislation introduced in the State Senate and House of Delegates

Motions made:  
None.

Follow up actions:  
None.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

[THE PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY WILL BE INCLUDED AS PART OF THE  
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